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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This is a response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 22, 2004 in relation to the above-identified patent application. In that Restriction Requirement, the Examiner contended that two separate inventions were disclosed and claimed in the subject application, i.e. the group 1 invention with claims 1-19 drawn to a semi-conductor die stack classified in class 257, subclass 686 and the group 2 invention with claims 20-26 drawn to a method of vertically stacking a plurality of dies, classified in class 438, subclass 109.

Pursuant thereto, Applicant elects the invention of group 1 with claims 1-19 readable thereon drawn to a semi-conductor die stack for initial prosecution. Pursuant

thereto, claims 20-26 are being canceled without prejudice subject to continued prosecution via a divisional patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

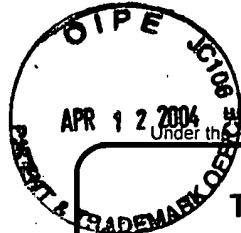
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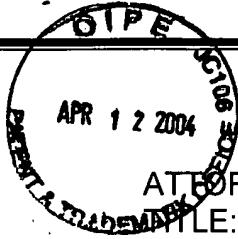
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